

<b>Notice of Allowability</b>	<b>Application No.</b>	<b>Applicant(s)</b>	
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1. ☒ This communication is responsive to Amendment received on 7/30/2006 and Telephone interview on 9/6/2006.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 21-23,25-27,29,31,34-35,39-46,48-75,77-82, 84-85,87-92,94 and 95.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
  - a) ☐ All    b) ☐ Some\*    c) ☐ None    of the:
  1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
  2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.
  3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
  5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS ( as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
    - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review ( PTO-948) attached
      - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_.
    - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_.
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6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

**Attachment(s)**

1. ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08),  
Paper No./Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit  
of Biological Material

5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
6. ☒ Interview Summary (PTO-413),  
Paper No./Mail Date 9/7/2006.
7. ☒ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

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## **DETAILED ACTION**

### ***Response to Amendment***

1. Applicant's request for reconsideration of the finality of the rejection of the last Office action is persuasive and, therefore, the finality of that action is withdrawn. The applicant has amended claims 56, 92, 94, 95 and canceled claim 93. Claims 21-23, 25-27, 29, 31, 34, 39-85, 87-92, 94 and 95 are pending for examination. The applicant agreed via a telephone interview on 9/7/2006 for the following Examiner's amendment to place the application in condition for allowance.

### **EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT**

2. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. Melvin Barnes on 9/6/2006.

The application has been amended as follows:

Quote, "

1-20. (Canceled)

21. (Currently amended) A handheld wireless communication device, comprising:  
a processor;

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a user input device communicatively coupled to said processor;  
an audio output device operatively coupled to said processor;  
a wireless transmitter operatively coupled to said processor;  
a wireless receiver operatively coupled to said processor;  
an audio input device communicatively coupled to said processor and configured to receive voice inputs;  
a memory coupled to said processor;  
a computer readable medium encoded with executable instructions to cause said processor to store voice inputs received at said audio input device in said memory;  
said computer readable medium encoded with executable instructions to cause said processor to retrieve a first voice input from memory and to reproduce said first voice input at said audio output device in response to receiving a user input indicating a user request to reproduce said first voice input;  
said computer readable medium encoded with executable instructions to cause said processor to retrieve a second voice input from memory, to identify a command in the second voice input, and to generate a request signal, said request signal including data based, at least in part, on said command;  
said computer readable medium encoded with executable instructions to cause said processor to cause said transmitter to wirelessly transmit said request signal to a remote computer; and  
wherein the remote computer is configured to process the a sale of an article of commerce based on said request signal.

22. (Previously presented) The wireless communication device of claim 21, wherein said computer readable medium is encoded with executable instructions to cause said processor to retrieve information for purchasing from said memory and to transmit said information for purchasing to the remote computer.

23. (Currently amended) A handheld wireless communication device, comprising:

a processor;  
a user input device communicatively coupled to said processor;

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a wireless transmitter operatively coupled to said processor;  
a wireless receiver operatively coupled to said processor;  
an audio input device communicatively coupled to said processor and configured to receive a voice input, said voice input including destination information for transmitting a request relating to an article of commerce;  
a memory coupled to said processor;  
a computer readable medium encoded with executable instructions to cause said processor to generate a request signal including data relating to the article of commerce in response to a user input;  
said computer readable medium encoded with executable instructions to cause said processor to identify the destination information in the voice input;  
said computer readable medium encoded with executable instructions to cause said processor to cause said transmitter to wirelessly transmit said request signal to the destination; and  
wherein the destination comprises a remote computer configured to process the a sale of the article of commerce based on said request signal.

24. (Canceled)

25. (Previously presented) The wireless communication device of claim 23, wherein said memory includes information for making a purchase stored therein and said computer readable medium is encoded with executable instructions to cause said processor to retrieve said information for making a purchase from said memory and to wirelessly transmit said information for making a purchase to the destination.

26. (Previously presented) The wireless communication device of claim 23, wherein said voice input further includes information corresponding to the article of commerce and said data relating to an article of commerce included in said request signal is based on said information corresponding to an article of commerce included in said voice input.

27. (Previously presented) The wireless communication device of claim 26, wherein:

said memory includes information for making a purchase stored therein; and

said computer readable medium is encoded with executable instructions to cause said processor to retrieve said information for making a purchase from said memory and to transmit said information for making a purchase to the destination.

28. (Canceled)

29. (Previously presented) The wireless communication device of claim 23, wherein the destination is an Internet destination.

30. (Canceled)

31. (Currently amended) A method of using a handheld wireless communication device, said device comprising an audio output device, an audio input device, and a memory, the method comprising:

receiving a voice message at the audio input device;

storing said voice message in the memory;

receiving a first input from the user;

audibly reproducing said voice message at the audio output device in response to receiving said first input from the user;

storing information for making a purchase in memory;

receiving a second input from the user that comprises speech and includes an Internet address of a remote computer configured to process a sale;

in response to said second input, retrieving said information for making a purchase from memory and wirelessly transmitting said information for making a purchase to the remote computer; and

~~receiving a third input from the user;~~

~~in response to said third user input, establishing a voice communication link with a remote device through a mobile telephone network with the handheld wireless communication device; and~~

~~receiving voice data from the user and wirelessly transmitting data representing said voice data through said voice communication link.~~

32. (Canceled)

33. (Canceled)

34. (Previously presented) The method of claim 31, wherein the memory includes information for making a purchase for a plurality of accounts stored therein, the method further comprising:

selecting one of said plurality of accounts and wherein said information for making for a purchased retrieved from the memory corresponds to said selected account.

35. (Previously presented) The method claim 31, wherein said second user input comprises information relating to an article of commerce and further comprising transmitting data, based on said information relating to an article of commerce, to the remote computer.

36. (Canceled)

37. (Canceled)

38. (Canceled)

39. (Previously presented) The method of claim 35, further comprising:  
transmitting a request relating to the article of commerce; and  
receiving a response from the remote computer.

40. (Previously presented) The method of claim 39, wherein said request is selected from the group of a request to make a reservation and a request to purchase the article of commerce.

41. (Currently amended) A method of using a handheld wireless communication device, said device comprising an audio input device, an image input device, and a memory, the method comprising:

receiving a plurality of images at the image input device;

storing said plurality of images in the memory;

receiving a first speech input at the audio input device;

storing data representative of said first speech input in the memory;

identifying command information in said first speech input;

retrieving information from memory based, at least in part, on said command information;

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generating a request signal including, at least in part, said information retrieved from memory;

determining a destination for transmitting said request signal; and

wirelessly transmitting said request signal through a mobile telephone network to the destination and wherein said request signal includes a request selected from the group of a request to make a reservation, a request to purchase a product, and a request for information.

42. (Previously presented) The method of claim 41, wherein:

said first speech input includes information relating to an article of commerce;

and

said request signal includes data based on said information relating to said article of commerce.

43. (Previously presented) The method of claim 42, wherein said information retrieved from memory and included in said request signal includes information for making a purchase.

44. (Previously presented) The method of claim 43, wherein the memory includes information of the destination stored therein and wherein said step of determining a destination includes retrieving said information of the destination from memory.

45. (Previously presented) The method of claim 42, wherein said first speech input further includes destination information.

46. (Previously presented) The method of claim 42, wherein said first speech input includes a request relating to the article of commerce and further comprising receiving a response to said request signal.

47. (Canceled)

48. (Previously presented) The method of claim 41, wherein said speech input includes destination information.

49. (Previously presented) The method of claim 48, wherein said information retrieved from memory and included in said request signal includes information for making a purchase.

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50. (Previously presented) The method of claim 48, wherein the destination is an Internet address.

51. (Previously presented) The method of claim 49, wherein said request signal includes data representing a variable value pair and said information for making a purchase is a value of said variable value pair.

52. (Previously presented) A method of using a handheld communication device, said communication device comprising a memory, the method comprising:

receiving a first speech input;

identifying information corresponding to an article of commerce in said first speech input;

determining a destination for transmitting a request relating to the article of commerce;

retrieving information for making a purchase from the memory;

generating a first signal including data based, at least in part, on said information corresponding to the article of commerce identified in said first speech input;

wirelessly transmitting said first signal to the destination;

wirelessly transmitting said information for making a purchase to the destination;

and

wherein the destination comprises a computer configured to process a sale of the article of commerce.

53. (Previously presented) The method of claim 52, wherein the memory includes information relating to the destination stored therein and said step of determining a destination comprises retrieving said information relating to the destination from memory.

54. (Previously presented) The method of claim 52, wherein said step of determining a destination comprises scanning an image.

55. (Previously presented ) The method of claim 52, wherein said first speech input further includes information representative of the destination and said step of determining a destination comprises processing said first speech input to establish the destination.



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56. (Currently Amended) A method of using a handheld wireless communication device, said device comprising an user input device, an image input device, and a memory, the method comprising:

receiving a plurality of images at the image input device;

storing said plurality of images in memory;

receiving second data representative of an input from the user at the user input device;

after said storing, establishing a communication link with a remote destination via a mobile telephone network;

wirelessly transmitting said plurality of images to a remote destination through a mobile telephone network via the communication link;

wirelessly transmitting data based on said second data to the remote destination through the mobile telephone network;

wherein said wirelessly transmitted data signal includes a request selected from the group of a request to make a reservation, a request to purchase a product, and a request for information;

storing a voice memorandum in the memory; and

audibly reproducing the voice memorandum in response to receiving a user input to reproduce the voice memorandum.

57. (Previously presented) The method of claim 56, wherein at least one of said plurality of images includes data representative of the remote destination.

58. (Previously presented) The method of claim 56, wherein at least one of said plurality of images comprises text data and further comprising converting said text data to text.

59. (Previously presented) The method of claim 57, wherein the remote destination is an Internet address.

60. (Previously presented) The method of claim 57, wherein at least one of said plurality of images further comprises data relating to an article of commerce.

61. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 60, wherein said input from the user includes a request selected from the group of a request to make a reservation, a request to purchase a product, and a request for information.

62. (Previously presented) The method of claim 56, wherein the memory includes information for making a purchase stored therein and at least one of said plurality of images includes information relating to an article of commerce, and further comprising:

- retrieving said information for making a purchase from memory; and
- wirelessly transmitting at least a portion of said information for making a purchase and data based on said information relating to an article of commerce to the remote destination through the mobile telephone network.

63. (Previously presented) The method of claim 62, wherein said information for making a purchase includes information relating to a credit card.

64. (Previously presented) The method of claim 62, wherein the memory includes user information stored therein; and further comprising:

- retrieving said user information from memory; and
- wirelessly transmitting at least a portion of said user information to the remote destination through the mobile telephone network.

65. (Previously presented) The method of claim 62, wherein at least one of said plurality of images further includes data representative of the remote destination.

66. (Previously presented) The method of claim 56, wherein at least one of said plurality of images includes information relating to an article of commerce.

67. (Previously presented) The method of claim 66, wherein the memory includes information for making a purchase stored therein, and further comprising:

- retrieving said information for making a purchase from memory; and
- transmitting at least a portion of said information for making a purchase to the remote destination through the mobile telephone network.

68. (Previously presented) The method of claim 66, wherein the memory includes data representative of the remote destination stored therein; and further comprising retrieving said data representative of the remote destination from memory.

69. (Previously presented) The method of claim 68, wherein the memory includes information for making a purchase stored therein; and further comprising:  
retrieving said information for making a purchase from memory; and  
wirelessly transmitting at least a portion of said information for making a purchase to the remote destination through the mobile telephone network.

70. (Previously presented) The method of claim 56, wherein said input from the user comprises a speech input.

71. (Previously presented) The method of claim 70, wherein said speech input comprises data relating to at least one of said plurality of images.

72. (Previously presented) The method of claim 70, wherein at least one of said plurality of images comprises data relating to an article of commerce and said input from the user comprises a request relating to the article of commerce.

73. (Previously presented) The method of claim 72, wherein the memory includes information for making a purchase stored therein and at least one of said plurality of images further includes data representative of the remote destination; and further comprising:

retrieving said information for making a purchase from memory; and  
wirelessly transmitting at least a portion of said information for making a purchase to the remote destination through the mobile telephone network.

74. (Currently amended) A method of using a handheld wireless communication device, said device comprising a memory, the method comprising:

receiving a plurality of images at the image input device, at least one of said plurality of images including information of a destination for transmitting a signal;

storing the said plurality of images in memory;

receiving a user input;

generating a request signal based, at least in part, on said user input;

after said storing, establishing a communication link with the destination via a mobile telephone network; and

wirelessly transmitting said request signal through the mobile telephone network to the destination via the communication link; and

wherein the destination comprises a computer configured to process the sale of an article of commerce.

75. (Previously presented) The method of claim 74, wherein at least one of the plurality of images comprises text and further comprising converting said least one image to text.

76. (Canceled)

77. (Previously presented) The method of claim 74, wherein said user input includes a request relating to an article of commerce.

78. (Previously presented) The method of claim 74, wherein the memory includes information for making a purchase stored therein; and further comprising:  
retrieving said information for making a purchase from memory; and  
wirelessly transmitting said information for making a purchase through the mobile telephone network to the destination.

79. (Previously presented) The method of claim 78, wherein said information for making a purchase includes information relating to a credit card.

80. (Previously presented) The method of claim 78, wherein at least one of said plurality of images further includes data relating to an article of commerce.

81. (Currently amended) A method of using a handheld wireless communication device, said device comprising memory storing a destination therein, the method comprising:

receiving a plurality of images at the image input device, wherein at least one of said plurality of images includes information corresponding to an article of commerce;  
storing the plurality of images in memory;  
receiving a user input;  
retrieving the destination;  
generating a request signal including data based on said information corresponding to the article of commerce in response to said user input;  
after said storing and said retrieving, establishing a communication link with the destination via a mobile telephone network; and

wirelessly transmitting said request signal through the mobile telephone network to the destination via the communication link for making sale; and  
wherein the destination comprises a computer configured to process the sale of the article of commerce.

82. (Previously presented) The method of claim 81, wherein said user input comprises a speech input.

83. (Canceled)

84. (Previously presented) The method of claim 81, wherein the memory includes information for making a purchase stored therein; and further comprising:  
retrieving said information for making a purchase from memory; and  
wirelessly transmitting at least a portion of said information for making a purchase through a mobile telephone network to the destination.

85. (Previously presented) The method of claim 81, further comprising:  
establishing a voice communication link with a remote device through a mobile telephone network;  
receiving voice data from the user; and  
wirelessly transmitting data representing said voice data through said voice communication link.

86. (Canceled)

87. (Previously presented) The method of claim 41, further comprising:  
establishing a voice communication link with a remote device through a mobile telephone network;  
receiving voice data from the user; and  
wirelessly transmitting data representing said voice data through said voice communication link.

88. (Previously presented) The method of claim 52, further comprising:  
establishing a voice communication link with a remote device through a mobile telephone network;  
receiving voice data from the user; and

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wirelessly transmitting data representing said voice data through said voice communication link.

89. (Previously presented) The method of claim 56, further comprising:  
establishing a voice communication link with a remote device through a mobile telephone network;

receiving voice data from the user; and  
wirelessly transmitting data representing said voice data through said voice communication link.

90. (Previously presented) The method of claim 74, further comprising:  
establishing a voice communication link with a remote device through a mobile telephone network;

receiving voice data from the user; and  
wirelessly transmitting data representing said voice data through said voice communication link.

91. (Previously presented) The wireless communication device of claim 23, wherein said computer readable medium is encoded with executable instructions to cause said processor to store a voice memorandum in said memory and to retrieve and reproduce the voice memorandum at said audio output device in response to receiving a user request to reproduce the voice memorandum.

92. (Previously presented) The method of claim 41, further comprising:  
storing a voice memorandum in the memory; and  
audibly reproducing the voice memorandum in response to receiving a user input to reproduce the voice memorandum.

93. (Canceled)

94. (Previously presented) The method of claim 74, further comprising:  
storing a voice memorandum in the memory; and  
audibly reproducing the voice memorandum in response to receiving a user input to reproduce the voice memorandum.

95. (Previously presented) The method of claim 81, further comprising:  
storing a voice memorandum in the memory; and

audibly reproducing the voice memorandum in response to receiving a user input to reproduce the voice memorandum.

***Allowable Subject Matter***

3. Claims 21-23,25-27,29,31,34-35,39-46,48-75,77-82, 84-85,87-92,94 and 95 are allowed. Claims 21, 23, 31, 41,52,56,74 and 81 are independent and the rest of the claims are dependencies of these independent claims.

***Reasons for Allowance***

4. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

**4.1. Independent Claims 21, 23, 31, 41 and 52 and their dependencies**

With regards to claims 21, 23, 31, 41 and 52, the prior art, when considered either singularly or combined, fails to teach or fairly suggest or render obvious the recited feature " a handheld wireless communication device via wireless transmission system, implementing computer executable instructions identifying/retrieving a command/information from the stored voice input from a memory, generating a request signal including data based, at least in part on said command/information, transmitting wirelessly said request signal to a remote computer for processing a commercial transaction based on said request signal ", which is fully disclosed and enabled by the specification (see pages 28-45) and emphasized by the applicant in his remarks, page15-18 filed on 3/27/2006.

**4.2.. Independent Claim 56, and its dependencies**

With regards to claims 56, the prior art, when considered either singularly or combined, fails to teach or fairly suggest or render obvious a method of using a handheld wireless-communication device, comprising, inter alia the steps of storing a plurality of images in memory, after said storing, establishing a communication link with a remote destination via a mobile telephone network, wirelessly transmitting said plurality of images to a remote destination through a mobile telephone network via the communication link, wirelessly transmitting data based on said second data to the remote destination through the mobile telephone network, storing a voice memorandum in the memory, and audibly reproducing the voice memorandum in response to receiving a user input to reproduce the voice memorandum, wherein said wirelessly transmitted data signal includes a request selected from the group of a request to make a reservation, a request to purchase a product, and a request for information," fully disclosed and enabled in the specification (see pages 28-45) and emphasized by the applicant in his remarks, page15-18 filed on 3/27/2006.

**4.3.. Independent Claims 74 and 81 and their dependencies.**

With regards to claim 74, the prior art, when considered either singularly or combined, fails to teach or fairly suggest or render obvious " a method of using a



handheld wireless communication device, said device comprising a memory, the method comprising inter alia the steps of receiving a plurality of images at the image input device, at least one of said plurality of images including information of a destination for transmitting a signal, storing the said plurality of images in memory, receiving a user input, generating a request signal based, at least in part, on said user input, after said storing, establishing a communication link with the destination via a mobile telephone network, wirelessly transmitting said request signal through the mobile telephone network to the destination via the communication link and wherein the destination comprises a computer configured to process the sale of an article of commerce ", fully disclosed and enabled in the specification (see pages 28-45) and emphasized by the applicant in his remarks, page15-18 filed on 3/27/2006.

The limitations of claim 81 are closely parallel to the limitations of claim 74 and therefore the reasons of allowance for claim 84 are based on the same rational as for claim 74.

5. Discussion of most relevant prior art:

(i) With regards to independent claims 21, 23, 31, 41 and 52, Walsh et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,144,848) discloses (Fig. 4) a handheld wireless communication device (col. lines 34-46) comprising a processor, a user input device an audible output device, a wireless transmitter, a wireless receiver, an audible input device, and a

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memory (see col. 23, line 43-col. 23, line 3). An operator may enter command instructions and data for encoding into a command message using a bar code sensor (404), keypad (405), and/or microphone (402) (col. 23, lines 61-64: see also col. 12, lines 14-26). Walsh et al. discloses storing information related to an article of commerce in memory and later entering a command to order the article of commerce, for example (col. 33, lines 48-60). Walsh et al. further discloses that voice messages may additionally be entered as a recognizable voice component of a digital command message (col. 35, line 54-col. 36, line 4). Walsh et al. additionally discloses that the processor determines a transmission destination (col. lines 48-55). Walsh et al. discloses information for making a purchase which is retrieved from memory of the device (col. 17, lines 15-36). However, Walsh, singularly or combined with another prior art, does not disclose or suggest generating a request signal including data based, at least in part on said command/information, and transmitting wirelessly said request signal to a remote computer for processing a commercial transaction based on said request signal (see applicant's arguments and reasoning in Remarks, pages 15-16, filed on 3/27/2006 which are convincing and persuasive.)

(ii) Regarding claims 56-85, 89, 90, 93-95, Ogasawara (U.S. Patent No. 6,512,919) discloses a method of using a handheld wireless communication device (col. 1, lines 16-21; see embodiment beginning at col. 15, line 43) comprising, inter alia, the steps of receiving a plurality of images at an image input device (col. 20, lines 41-67), storing said plurality of images in memory (see references to "captured"), receiving

second data representative of an input from a user (col. lines 36-53)7 wirelessly transmitting said plurality of images to a remote destination (col. 22, lines 52-58), and wirelessly transmitting data to the remote destination (col. lines 7-12). Ogasawara discloses that data relates to an article of commerce. However, Ogasawara, singularly or combined with another prior art, does not disclose or suggest storing the images prior to establishing a connection with a remote destination, that is a server in Ogasawara. In Ogasawara the images are stored after establishing the connection with the remote destination, that is the server (see Applicant's arguments in Remarks, pages 17-19, filed on 3/27/2006). Similarly, neither Walsh is required to store plurality of images before establishing the connection to a remote destination because in Walsh, like in Ogasawara, the images can be immediately transmitted over the previously established connection (see Applicant's arguments in Remarks, pages 18-19, filed on 3/27/2006).

(iii) Regarding claims 56, 70-71 and 89, Allen et al. (US Patent no.5,737,491) discloses a wireless communication device method of using a handheld (10) comprising: receiving a plurality of images at an image input device; storing said images in memory; receiving second data representative of a speech input from a user at a user input device comprising data relating to at least one of said plurality of images, after storing, establishing destination via a mobile transmitting data destination through the mobile telephone network. See col. 2, a communication link with a remote telephone network; wirelessly based on said second data to the remote lines 34-51; and lines 5-10. Allen et al. further discloses establishing a voice communication link with a

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remote device through a mobile telephone network; receiving voice data from the user; and wirelessly transmitting data through said voice representing said voice data communication link. See col. lines 29-35. However, Allen, singularly or combined with another prior art, does not disclose or suggest storing a voice memorandum in the memory, and audibly reproducing the voice memorandum in response to receiving a user input to reproduce the voice memorandum, and the wirelessly transmitted data signal includes a request selected from the group of a request to make a reservation, a request to purchase a product, and a request for information.

6. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure:

(i) US Patent 6,671,567 to Dwyer et al. discloses a handheld portable digital voice recorder which in addition to voice recording and playback includes a voice file management, wherein the recorder can store timed reminders and generate and review voice mail and/or electronic text mail messages either generated in the recorder for forwarding via a personal computer or downloaded to the recorder from the PC (see at least Abstract and col.4, lines 49-60). However, Dwyer et al., singularly or combined with another prior art, does not disclose or suggest unique features as underlined above.

(ii) US Patent 6,259,657 to Swinney discloses a handheld portable digital voice recorder which records and stores audible information, reproduces stored audible

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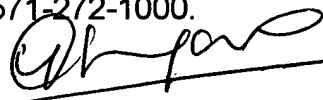
information, and further including a receiver which can automatically transfer the recorded data to a remote central processing area via a communication network (see at least Abstract and col.4, line 40-col.6, line 25). However, Swinney, singularly or combined with another prior art, does not disclose or suggest unique features as underlined above.

8. Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Yogesh C. Garg whose telephone number is 571-272-6756. The examiner can normally be reached on Increased Flex.

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